THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Cut in grants to Regional Engineering Colleges in Uttar Predesh

1632. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have imposed a 10 percent cut in all grants and loans to autonomous bodies, research organisations and regional engineering colleges in Uttar Predesh, if so, the detailed reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government are aware that it would adversely affect technical education in the regional engineering colleges where the student teacher ratio is much higher than the recommended norms, if so, the detailed reasons for such move?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) To effect economy in administrative expenditure of the Government, a 10% cut in sanctioned posts/salary provision under Non-Plan has been imposed in the autonomous organisations including Motilal Nehru Regional Engineering College, Allahabad in Uttar Predesh. However, this cut excludes teaching and research posts of educational Institutions so that it does not adversely affect their : academic activities.

Introduction of Computer Courses in Kendriya Vidyalaya from Government side

1633. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Kendriya Vidyalayas in Shalimar Bagh, I. N. A. and R. K. Puram have been selected for introduction of computer course from Government side;

(b) whether any progress to introduce this course in selected Vidyalayas during 1993-94 has since been made:

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government propose to take some action for early introduction of said course in the above said Vidyalayas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (e) No, Sir. Excepting the CLASS (Computer Literacy Awareness Scheme for Schools) there are no other Computer Courses in the Kendriya Vidyalayas. However, some computer firms have offered a scheme of Computer Literacy to Kendriya Vidyalaya students on a voluntary basis. Under the scheme in the premises of Kendriya *Vidyalayas after class hours, computer literacy* can be taught by the firm to those students who volunteer to pay some fee to the firm. This scheme, on an experimental basis, is being considered for some selected Kendriya Vidyalayas in Delhi for which some firms have made offers.

Pension scheme for the employees of Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti

1634. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any pension scheme for the retired employees of Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti;

(b) if so, since when it was implemented;

(c) what are the reasons for not taking the cases of some employees who had retired between the period of 1986 and the year of its implementation into consideration;

(d) whether such other cases are still pending with Government since long;

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(f) by when Government propose to give its approval to the same and what would be its financial implications?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since 1-4-1990.

(c) to (f) The cases of the employees retiring before 1-4-1990 were settled in accordance with